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PROPOSED MILITARY AGREEMENT BETWEEN FRANCE AND RUSSIA

GERMANY DEMANDS ARMY OF 55,000

AIR PARITY WITH FRANCE AND BRITAIN

35 PER CENT. CLAIM ON BRITISH NAVAL TONNAGE

SIR J. SIMON'S REPORT

London, To-day.

Although he declined in the House of Commons yesterday to make a personal pronouncement on Government Policy, pending the Stresa Conference, Sir John Simon, the Foreign Secretary, briefly reviewed the negotiations in Berlin, Moscow, Warsaw and Prague regarding the proposed non-aggression pact.

He said that Germany did not reject the idea of a Central European pact, but foresaw great difficulty in defining non-interference in relation to Austria. However, Germany was prepared to consider the subject if other Governments reached an agreement thereon.

Both the Polish and Czechoslovakian Foreign Ministers hoped to make progress with a Central European pact at Stresa.

AIR PACT FAVOURED

Herr Hitler stated that Germany required 35 divisions, representing a maximum of 55,000 soldiers, including a division of Nazi Guards and militarised Police.

Germany claimed the right to possess all types of arms possessed by other countries, but was prepared to refrain from the construction of certain types if other countries would cease to make them.

As regards the navy, Germany claimed 35 per cent of the British tonnage and air parity with Britain, France and Germany, provided the Soviet air force did not require revision.

If an arms limitation were reached Germany would work for an agreement involving supervision if applied to all powers equally.

Germany favoured the suggestion of an air pact between the Locarno Powers.

Herr Hitler reiterated the statement that Germany would not continue her participation in the League if she remained in an inferior position and declared that Germany is in an inferior position without colonies.

The British Minister expressed strong disagreement with certain points; indeed at the conclusion of the Berlin interview Sir John expressed disappointment at the difficulties in the way of an agreement.

Sir John remarked that the Stresa meeting would be followed by a League Council meeting, which had been convened by France for next Monday.

The British Premier, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, promised to arrange the foreign affairs debate in the House of Commons for after Easter.

SUMMARISED STATEMENT

London, To-day.

GERMANY IS DISAPPOINTED IN SIR J. SIMON

Positive Side Of Berlin Talks Not Emphasised Sufficiently

OFFICIAL SCRUTINY OF SPEECH BEFORE ISSUE TO PRESS

Berlin, To-day.

Sir John Simon's speech will be closely scrutinised officially before its issue to the press.

It is understood that official circles feel that Sir John Simon has insufficiently emphasised that positive side of the Berlin discussions and Germany's willingness to assist in the pacification of Europe and even to make practical proposals in the matter.

The officially-inspired *Diplomatische Korrespondenz* declares that Germany is ready to participate in any arms convention creating for all participants equal rights, obligations and securities.

COLONY WATER CONSUMPTION

The total consumption of water in the City and Hill Districts during the month ended March 31 amounted to 274.58 million gallons, while on the mainland it amounted to 168.69 million gallons. As 10 hours' supply was maintained throughout the month on both the island and mainland.

The Foreign Secretary, Sir John Simon, on the eve of his departure for the Three-Power Conference at Stresa, made a statement yesterday evening with regard to the recent exploratory tour of European capitals.

Sir John Simon said it would be appreciated that, just as the visit paid to Berlin, Moscow, Warsaw and Prague arose out of the London declaration of February 8, so these visits were to provide material as to the views of the other Governments who were connected with the Stresa meeting of the British, French and the Italian Governments, which will begin tomorrow.

In these circumstances, he could only make a summarised statement of what had been ascertained as to the views of the other States, and it would not be possible to use the occasion for the pronouncement of the British Government's policy.

As regards the so-called Eastern Pact, Herr Hitler had made it plain that Germany was not prepared to sign the Eastern Pact under which Germany would be bound to mutual assistance. In particular, Germany was not prepared to enter into a pact of mutual assistance between herself and Russia.

On the other hand, Germany was stated to be in favour of a non-aggression pact between the Powers interested in the East, but on condition that the Japanese naval and air armaments are limited.

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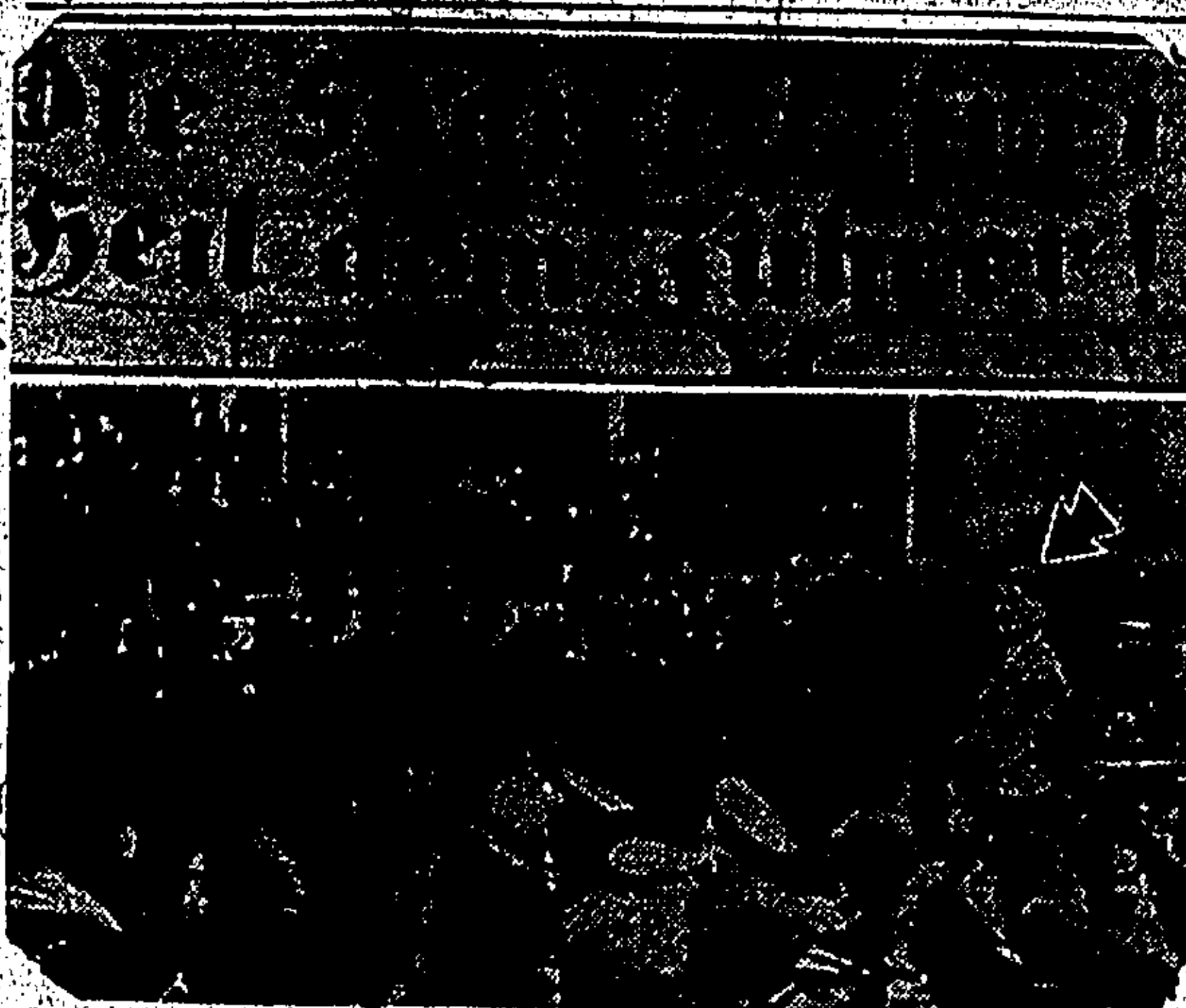
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Reichsfuehrer Adolf Hitler (arrow) stands in his car in Saarbrücken and acknowledges cheers during his surprise visit on the day the Saar Basin set shows one of the huge banners that welcomed Herr Hitler to his new domain.

SHANGHAI GERMAN HOCKEY ELEVEN SELECTED

Meet Colony Side On Saturday And Civilians On Monday

The Shanghai German Hockey team to meet the Colony side on Saturday, and the civilian side on Monday, both games to be played on the Royal Naval ground at King's Park, has been selected and is as follows:

Tiefenbacher, Melchers and Sommer; Remmele, Berg, and Siemsen; Kuelpe, Wetzel; Moeller, Neelmayer, and Stuhlmann.

Reserves: Will and Soenkssen.

MOTOR SPIRIT FROM COAL

Chinese Chemists At Sheffield

HUGE ORDER FOR BRITAIN ANTICIPATED

London, To-day.

Sheffield is anticipating the receipt of orders for plant amounting to hundreds of thousands of pounds sterling, following the arrival of the Chinese Government chemists, Messrs. Chin Wen-ai and Soon Wen, in connection with the Chinese Government's intention to produce motor spirit from coal on a large scale by the low-temperature carbonisation process.

Messrs. Chin Wen-ai and Soon Wen visited the works at Doncaster where samples of Chinese coal were tested and found satisfactory.

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VERY REV. SWANN FAREWELLED

Leaves With Family On Retirement

A large gathering of friends were present at Blake Pier this morning to bid farewell to the Very Rev. A. Swann, retiring Dean of St. John's Cathedral, who, together with his wife and two children, left at noon by the Blue Funnel s.s. *Sarpedon* for England.

Amongst those present were: Sir Henry Pollock, Mr. E. J. R. Mitchell, Mr. F. S. Cassidy, Bishop R. O. Hall, Rev. E. G. Powell, Rev. Chamberlain, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Lamb, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Lamb, Rev. H. W. Baing, Mr. R. B. Maughan, Mr. Justice Goff, Mr. A. G. H. Hays, and Mrs. H. Hays.

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INCREASING MENACE OF COMMUNISTS

10,000 REDS ACTIVE IN HUNAN

TRANSFER OF TROOPS TO THREATENED AREA

[From Our Own Correspondent]

Canton To-day.

The transfer of North-eastern troops in Hopei under Lieut. General Ho Chu-kuo to Hunan in connection with the suppression of the Communists there was confirmed on Monday night by a high official of the First Group Army, in the course of an interview.

Over 10,000 Communist troops are giving trouble to the Hunan provincial forces. In spite of daily official reports of victories over the Communists General Chiang Kai-shek, Chairman of the Military Affairs Commission, considers it necessary to strengthen the defence of Hunan.

It is possible that the Kweichow Reds are heading for western Hunan, although their exact movements are not certain.

The *Canton Daily Sun* yesterday stated on high authority that martial law and the curfew hour are still in force in Kweichow, the capital of Kweichow.

(Continued on Page 6.)

STOP PRESS

It is learned from Tientsin that the Dutch oil tanker *Junco*, of 2,345 tons, which is under British charter, was brought in to Takao under escort of the Japanese destroyer *Shimakaze* on suspicion of espionage.

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REVISION OF LEAGUE COVENANT

MOMENTOUS DECISIONS REACHED AFTER TWO-HOUR MEETING

LAVAL TO VISIT MOSCOW ON APRIL 23

Paris, To-day.

The Franco-Russian convention, which was virtually agreed yesterday, is designed to replace the projected Eastern Pact if Germany and Poland continue to refuse to participate in it, as seems inevitable.

According to the newspapers the convention will ultimately take the form of a military agreement grafted into a revision of the League of Nations mechanism and will dovetail into the French proposals at Stresa, namely a revision of the League Covenant, and so will emphasise the defensive co-operation aspects and controlled limitation of armaments accompanied by military agreements of mutual assistance open to all.

The projected Franco-Russian convention consists of two parts:

1. Requesting the League Council to reaffirm and reinforce articles X, XVI and XVII of the covenant.
2. Defining mutual French and Russian obligations under them.

After a private luncheon M. Potemkin telegraphed M. Litvinoff, the Russian Foreign Minister, virtually agreeing to the convention and also fixing April 23 as the date of M. Laval's visit to Moscow.

TWO-HOUR MEETING

The meeting of M. Laval with M. Potemkin, the Russian representative, of which the agreement was the outcome, lasted two hours. Thereafter the exchange of views was continued at a private luncheon, which the diplomatic representatives of Rumania, Czechoslovakia, Yugoslavia, Greece, and Turkey attended.

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U.S. NAVAL WORKS PROGRAMME BILL

PASSED IN SENATE

Now Awaiting Signature Of President

Washington, To-day.

The Senate yesterday passed the Naval Works Programme Bill.

The Bill now goes to the President for signature. — Reuter.

A Reuter's message of March 27, stated:

A sum of U.S.\$28,000,000 has been allocated to the naval works programme.

The bill passed by the House of Representatives includes \$26,000,000 for the West Coast and Pearl Harbour, Hawaii.

Several millions are to be expended on ammunition depots and a submarine base in the Panama Canal zone.

FRED ELLIS APPEAL DISMISSED

Sweepstake Ticket Sale In Shanghai

Shanghai, To-day.

The appeal of Mr. Fred Ellis, a broker, late of Hong Kong, who was convicted of selling sweepstake tickets, was heard yesterday afternoon in the British Supreme Court by Justices A. G. Mossop and T. Grant Jones and was dismissed. — Reuter.

A Reuter's message of February 21 stated that Mr. Fred Ellis, a former Hong Kong resident charged with unlawfully selling tickets in the International Country Club New Year Sweepstakes, had been found guilty and had been bound over for three years in two sureties of \$25 each.

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CHINESE STEAMER AGROUND

Cargo Of Matches Total Loss

LIKELY TO BE REFLOATED VERY SHORTLY

It is believed that the *sa Ouchao*, the Chinese steamer belonging to Tai Fung S.S. Co., of No. 25, Connaught Road West, which went ashore at Tai Ngon Shan, a point about 40 miles from Hong Kong, will be refloated and towed back to Hong Kong during the next two or three days.

According to a message received this morning from the salvage tug *Taifoo*, which left for the scene of the wreck early this morning, the vessel is not in a serious position, and provided the weather is suitable, the water can be pumped out of the fore-holds, which are flooded, and the ship refloated soon.

The *sa Ouchao* is a vessel of 850 tons, under the command of Captain O. A. Souza, while the Chief Engineer is Mr. Gouto. Both are Portuguese. She was making a trip from Hong Kong to Kwang Chow when she ran aground, and her cargo of matches is a total loss.

Following his boat accident, Mr. Gouto was rescued by Mr. G. C. Lam, a Chinese, who was on board the tug *Taifoo*, and is now being treated at the Central Police Hospital.

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ALL WOLFRAM IN S. KIANGSI TAKEN OVER

Private Working Ban By Military

MINES TO BE EXPLOITED BY MODERN METHODS

[From Our Own Correspondent]

Canton, To-day.

Having regard to the good demand for tungsten or wolfram by armament firms abroad, the First Group Army has taken over the wolfram mines in Sai Wah Mountain in Southern Kiangsi. Private exploitation is now prohibited.

The mines are located about four miles from Tayu, the headquarters of the Kwangtung forces in southern Kiangsi. The peasants at first did not know the value of wolfram, until a company was established there and bought the mineral from private exploiters at low prices.

Prices as sold in Hong Kong rose from \$40 Hong Kong currency to H.K. \$90 per picul of 133 1/3 pounds. This boom increased further exploitation of the mines, and over 2,000 huts were constructed to accommodate the miners. At that time there was prosperity in the villages near Sai Wah Mountain.

Fortunately the amount of wolfram raised was not much, the mines being worked entirely by hand. Now the military authorities have sent a mining engineer to survey the area and to prove the quality of the mineral prior to systematic exploitation.

The sale of wolfram in Canton is a government monopoly. Private companies obtain the mineral in Northern and Eastern Kwangtung and send the ore here to be sold by the Kwangtung Products Sales Bureau.

AMERICAN MINISTER VISITING NANKING

For Conference On Trade Questions

Nanking, to-day.

Mr. Nelson T. Johnson, American Minister to China, is scheduled to leave Peking to-day for a visit to the Capital according to information from diplomatic sources. The purpose of Mr. Johnson's projected visit is said to be to discuss the question of revision of the Sino-American Commercial Treaty, and the Chinese export tax on 24 goods. After his visit here, Mr. Johnson will proceed to Shanghai and then make a tour of inspection in South China. — Chukin Agency.

MAIL SCHEDULES

PARCEL POST

A schedule of revised parcel post rates, including many reductions, is exhibited in the Parcel Office, G.P.O. The rates will take effect as from 1st March, 1935.

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FROM EUROPE

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FROM JAPAN

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Pres. Coolidge Apr. 11
Emp. of Canada Apr. 12
Katori Maru Apr. 12
Pres. Adams Apr. 12
Tatuta Maru Apr. 12
Telesias Apr. 12
Lima Maru Apr. 13
Bengal Maru Apr. 14

FROM SHANGHAI

Pres. Coolidge Apr. 11
Emp. of Canada Apr. 12
Katori Maru Apr. 12
Behar Apr. 12
Pres. Adams Apr. 12
Tatuta Maru Apr. 12
Conte Verde Apr. 12
Tantalus Apr. 12

FROM STRAITS & INDIA

Mennon Apr. 12
Dakar Maru Apr. 15
Burdwan Apr. 16

FROM AUSTRALIA

Pres. Coolidge Apr. 11
Emp. of Canada Apr. 12
Pres. Adams Apr. 12

FROM U.S.A.

Pres. Coolidge Apr. 11
Emp. of Canada Apr. 12
Pres. Adams Apr. 12

FROM MANILA

Pres. Jefferson Apr. 12
General Lee Apr. 12
Tjinegara Apr. 16

OUTWARD MAILS

FOR EUROPE

Sarpedon (via Marseilles) Apr. 10
Conte Verde (via Brindisi) Apr. 12
Katori Maru (via Marseilles) Apr. 13
Pres. Adams Apr. 12
Pres. Jefferson (via Siberia) Apr. 12
Behar (via Siberia) Apr. 12
General Lee Apr. 12

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The Woman's Page

COLOUR CONTRASTS GIVE NEW VALUES TO DRESS

THE "SPLASH" - SPOTTED SILK SCARVES AND BERETS - APRICOT VOGUE - ROMAN STRIPES

(By The Hon. Mrs. C. W. Forester)

London. There is a desire to secure great variety of colour contrasts. The "splashed" note of colour can be so gay and forms such a pleasing antidote to winter suits and ensembles. Colour is now extensively used. In the popular uniform of black or velvet jersey the whole effect is changed by a waistcoat in the old familiar striped Roman-silk. There is that new scarf made in spotted taffeta, or striped silk that, with a matching beret, has a pleasing way of suggesting that we had suddenly got new spring clothes!

Even an "odd" splash of colour in a belt or collar can change our appearance entirely. Tea-rose or apricot is good as a "splash" with the all-black or all-white ensemble, as yellow may be a trying shade, especially that new yellow-ochre the Victorian tone. It is fashionable and very smart where it suits. American tailor-suits in black or brown tweed show a good deal of apricot and this yellow in the facings—also mixed with the darker tone for the self-edged border. Buttercup and pale and deepest sprig appear in the spring hats. The fabric straws and shining brims in black or very dark brown show small clusters of buttercups, the pale primrose or dark apricot coloured pansies.

Black And Yellow

A wool suiting in black for travel was worn with a deep yellow and black-striped silk blouse. The hat here was of black felt with a straight yellow quill. Many grey and black tweeds are woven with a pale softer straw shade.

White canvas crepes are good for the South-when worn with angora blouses and white pull-overs, the cuffs, belt and collar being flecked with new-sweet-pea shades. The most vivid of all splashes are the striped Roman silks, like the sashes of long ago—thick heavy fabric that has warmth and substance for early spring. These new Roman-silk blouses have short sleeves with scar-drapery or a wide jabot as a neckfinish. Many of them have been ordered for cruising, but silk is not too good for sea or hot days—still, it gives colour on the ship.

VIA SIBERIA—Letters and postcards for Europe and South America are forwarded "via Siberia" if so superscribed.

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These stripes for blouses and waistcoats when in the best fabrics and also in the more subdued colourings look their best worn with the town suit. They give the air of the town outfit as against woven wool or silk. Strongly coloured stripes will give place to pastel tones as warmer weather comes.

Both young and older women are giving much forethought to the allocation of clothes suitable to environment.

The cinema-cocktail dress is severely smart, though the tea-gown of the country house may be graceful and trailing. The typical artistic party of to-day may show some exotic and wonderful clothes, but they will seldom be dowdy or ridiculous.

A word on the fabrics for the first Dress Shows. Crepes in cotton, wool and silk are great favourites; there seems so many new shades and weaves. It is these new methods of weaving that ring the greater change. The rougher surfaces are, I think, the smartest, especially in pastel colouring. The earliest linens look more like wool materials or even tweeds. There are many coloured stripes or threads of contrast woven and interwoven in both crepe and linen. Tortois is the name of a popular crepe fabric. Flecks or splashes of colour again seem introduced into many of the new weaves.

POLISHED LINEN

Maggy Rouff's use of polished linen was a fresh and attractive note on many of her street outfits, which were eminently Parisienne. The effect of small jackets so cut that they did not button; but rather had a casual look, gave a new line which was introduced by Schiaparelli.

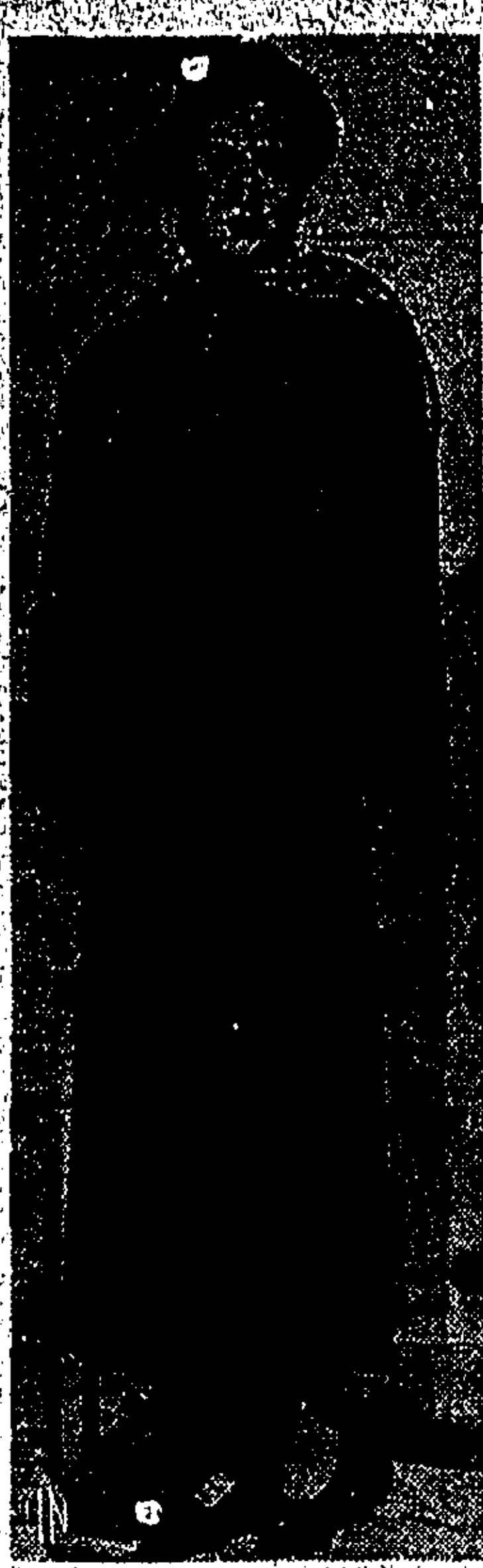
Does Your Baby Sleep Enough?

A young baby needs sleep, lots of it, as much as eighteen hours in every twenty-four during the first few weeks of life, and when he is one year old he should still spend some fifteen hours of the day in slumber. Sleep is essential to his steady progress, without sufficient he will soon be ailing and backward.

On the condition of baby's stomach depends his ability to enjoy sound healthy sleep. If he is able to digest his food, then there will be no trouble, but if his food disagrees with him he will inevitably be restless, peevish, and sleep will come only fitfully.

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Gray and brown are combined in an ensemble for Rosemary Ames, Hollywood actress, featuring a full sleeved coat in Gothic-gray with a double row of buttons from throat to waist, where it is belted in sash-brown suede. Note the gray chiffon folds suspended from the bishop's off-the-face turban.

THE MODERN RETICULE

The modern reticule is more Egyptian than Edwardian, with its queer shapes, and golden chains and acorns and golden egg ornaments. Frocks will have petticoats and sashes, and capes and shawls are greatly favoured in all kinds of materials.

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Feet Exercise

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HATS THAT GROW ON TREES

There is at least one place in the world where women do not have to go to shops to buy their hats. But pick them from the tree where they grow.

In Oajaca a State of Southern Mexico, there is a tree called the Crescencia, which bears a hard, hollow, woody fruit of large size. The outer shell of this fruit is sawn in half, each half being used as a close-fitting hat for the native women.

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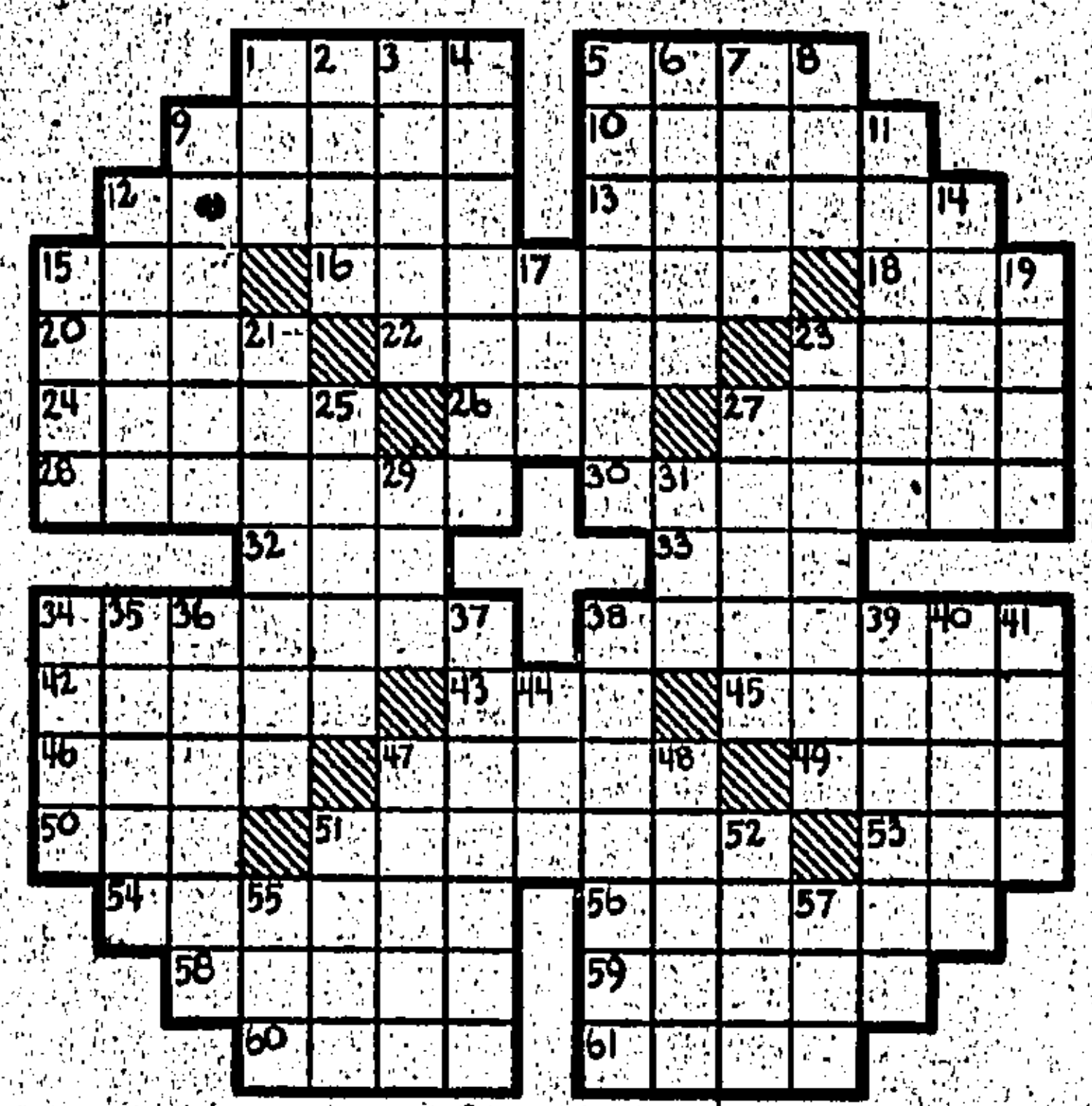
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spelling, such as harbor, plow, and altho.



- HORIZONTAL**
- 1-Klin for drying hops
 - 2-Pronoun
 - 3-Dimmer
 - 4-Grades
 - 5-One's entire property
 - 6-Horn
 - 7-Southern State of United States (abbr.)
 - 8-Plotitious tale
 - 9-Large cask
 - 10-New name of Christiania
 - 11-Scandinavian people
 - 12-An emperor of Rome
 - 13-Walks lamely
 - 14-Portuguese coin
 - 15-Inflamed places on the skin
 - 16-Tyrants
 - 17-Officers
 - 18-Suffix for forming diminutives
 - 19-Youth
 - 20-Gift
 - 21-Countries ruled by an emperor
 - 22-Adores
- HORIZONTAL (Cont.)**
- 23-Moved rapidly
 - 24-Sly person
 - 25-A beverage (pl.)
 - 26-Animal hides
 - 27-A pledge
 - 28-Japanese coin
 - 29-Heads
 - 30-Seat in a church
 - 31-Spot
 - 32-One who raids
 - 33-Affirm
 - 34-Made a mistake
 - 35-Epochs
 - 36-Wild animal
- VERTICAL (Cont.)**
- 37-Feminine name
 - 38-Enclosure for sheep
 - 39-Metric land measure
 - 40-Pitch
 - 41-Obstruata
 - 42-Bowling the head
 - 43-Part of the foot (pl.)
 - 44-Breaks suddenly
 - 45-Half a score
 - 46-A tree
 - 47-Frollo
 - 48-Part taken by an actor (pl.)
 - 49-Happenings
 - 50-Part of hair (pl.)
 - 51-Perseated
 - 52-Harvested
 - 53-Anxious
 - 54-To distort
 - 55-High (Mus.)
 - 56-One of Columbus' ships
 - 57-Trap
 - 58-One who tells a falsehood
 - 59-Father
 - 60-Consumed
 - 61-The (Ger.)

The solution of the above with a new cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue.

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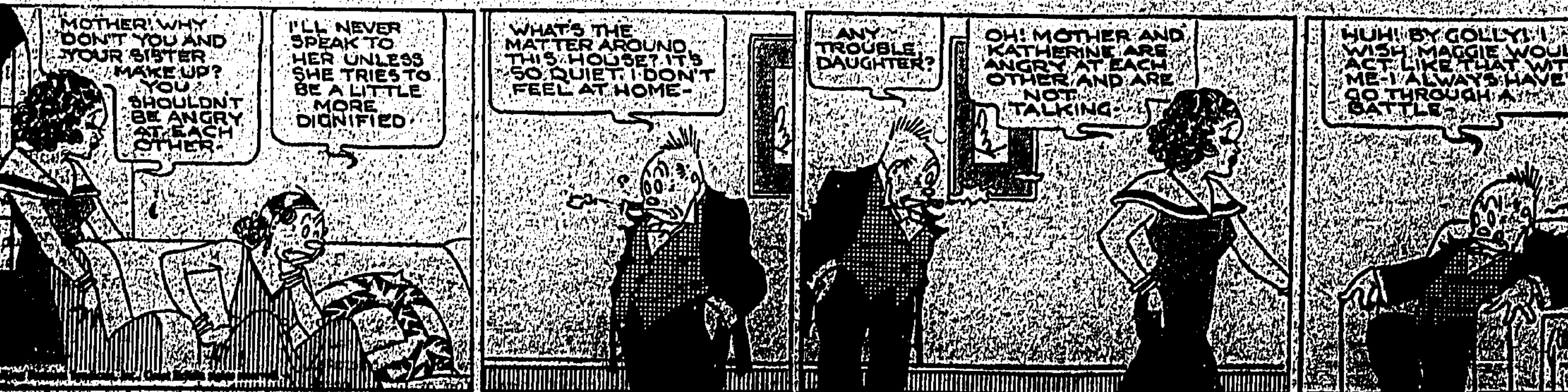
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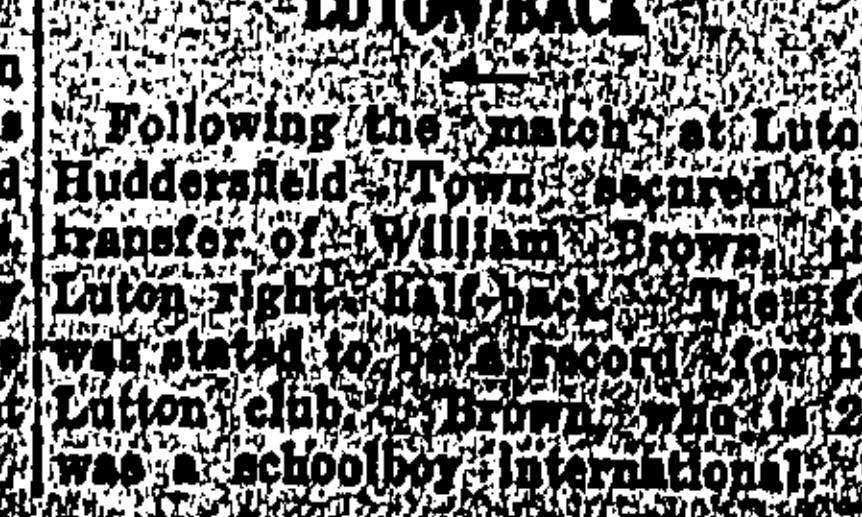
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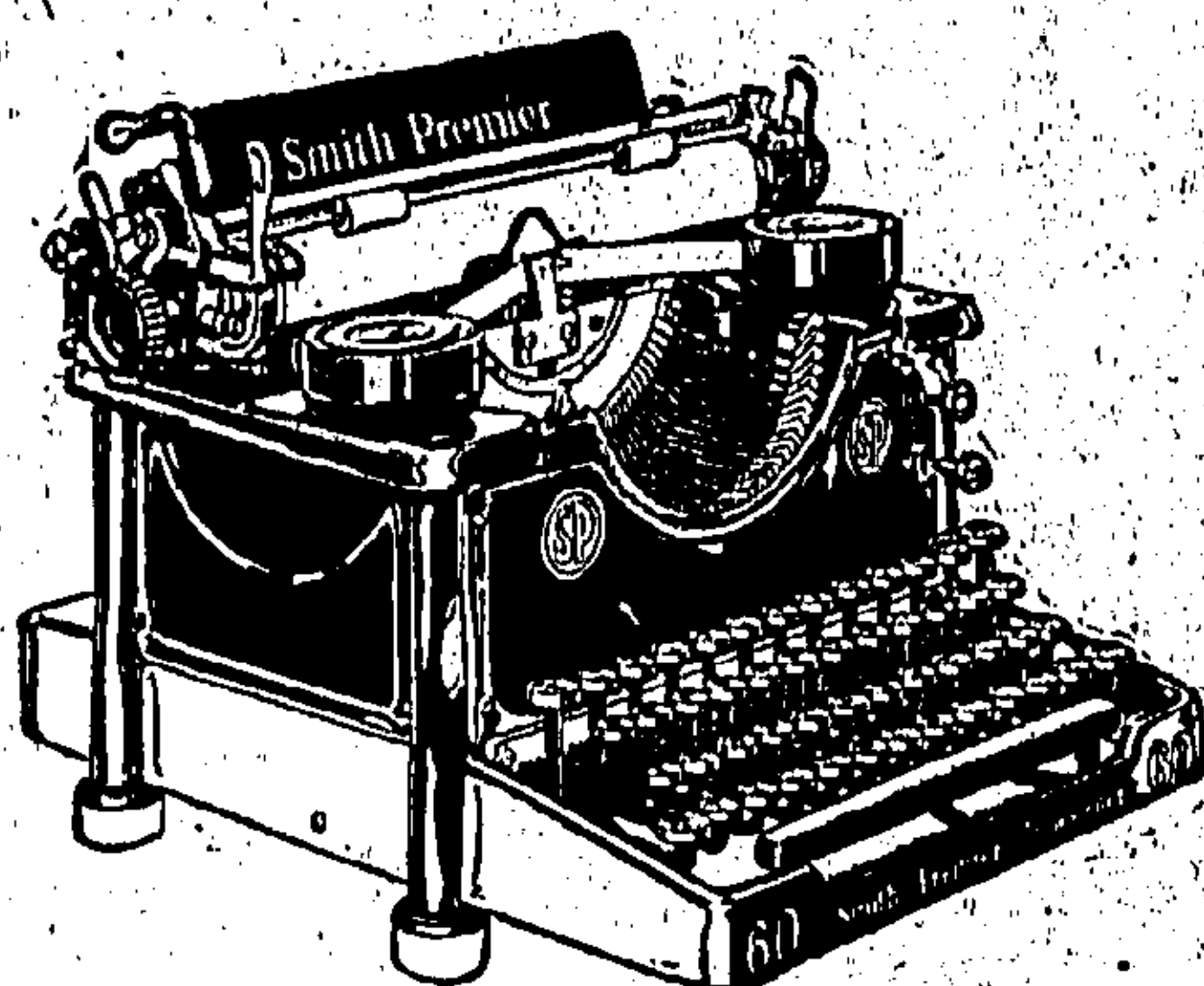
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Sports Diary

TO-DAY

Hockey—
Hong Kong Hockey Club Senior v.
Punjab Regiment
(King's Park, 5 p.m.)

Interport Trials
(King's Park, 5.10 p.m.)

Lawn Tennis—
Championships at H.K.C.C.

TO-MORROW

Athletics—
Eightth Battery, Royal Artillery
(Sookunpo).

Hockey—
Civilian's Trial
(King's Park, 5.10 p.m.)

Lawn Tennis—
Championships at H.K.C.C.

FRIDAY
Eightth Battery, Royal Artillery
(Sookunpo).

Hockey—
H.M.S. Cornwall v. Hong Kong
Hockey Club Juniors
(King's Park, 5 p.m.)

Sailing—
Twenty-Third bi-annual "Trevesa
Trophy" Race, 4 p.m.

Lawn Tennis—
Championships at H.K.C.C.

Y.M.C.A. DEFEAT C.B.A. IN
SCRAPPY HOCKEY GAME

(Continued from Page 4.)

In the second half the C.B.A. made desperate attempts to score, but found H. Sommer very sound in defence.

Toward the middle of this half Fowler secured from a short corner to score the third goal for the "Y." This was soon followed by another from W. J. Brown. Not in the least discouraged, the C.B.A. played pluckily and launched attack after attack. W. Hirst played brilliantly on the right-wing, but with only three men in the forward line, could achieve very little. Their determination was rewarded when they scored W. Hirst.

CRICKET

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It is doubtful, for example, if Sutcliffe will feel able to face another tour as England's opening batsman, and it is advisable to give experience in this capacity to some younger batsman or batsmen.

Stalwarts Uncertain

Hendren also can scarcely envisage another tour in Australia, not to mention other stalwarts whose prime is uncertain of endurance for another two years. Those who are destined to replace the Old Guard in Australia should be given a chance to win their spurs in the Test encounters with South Africa, so that they may accustom themselves to the atmosphere of big cricket.

Well Built Team Wanted

Names which are strong "on paper" only will not avail us in Australia. We must send a fully-equipped and well-built team if we are to entertain any hope of recovering the lost "Ashes".

The cricket authorities are to be congratulated for thus taking time by the forelock.

It is a good point that the selectors for the Tests with South Africa are to be appointed well before the season starts, so as to give them ample time to look round.

their only goal through J. Whitley, who shone throughout the game. A few minutes before the final whistle G. Fowler scored the fifth goal for the "Y."

Y.M.C.A.—A. H. Moss, E. F. Selk and H. Sommer; T. Price, R. A. Bates and Farmer; A. M. Muir, S. Fowler, W. J. Brown, G. Fowler and F. Fowler.

C.B.A.—J. J. King, B. Bond and E. Fowler; R. MacNider, J. Whitley and

AMERICA'S
DAVIS CUP
PROBLEMBUDGE AND MAKO
FOR DOUBLESFIFTY-FIFTY CHANCE
OF VICTORY

New York, Mar. 28. The United States Davis Cup situation is a problem which will tax the minds of the experts for many weeks to come. Fear that the professionals might tempt more of their amateur stars worries most members of the executive committee.

Even before the time came to pick a team trouble started when Canada and the United States could not agree in the schedule making, with the result that the Dominion will not play the United States in the North American Zone tie.

Early Disorders

In order to arrange for the North American Zone winners to meet the South American winners on June 6, 7, and 8 it was necessary to schedule the Canadian-United States matches in May. The Canadians felt that May was too early for them and withdrew from the tournament.

The American officials feel that early June is the latest date possible for the North-South American play-offs because of the probability that whichever nation wins this tie will want to have its players in the Wimbledon Tournament (June 24) as a tune-up for the interzone final.

U. S. Doubles Team

The probable U.S. doubles combination is composed of J. Donald Budge and C. Gene Mako, third ranking team.

Wilmer Allison has the singles assignments for the Davis Cup squad. The singles players are veterans of Davis Cup competition and the doubles combination rising youngsters who have just started "big-time" tennis.

The experience that they will gain, even if they fail to win, will stand them in good stead. However, they do have a fifty-fifty chance of victory. Their selection seems probable with Lott and Stofen out, while the second team of Allison and John Van Ryn is skipped because of Allison's singles playing assignment and Van Ryn's refusal of last year's invitation because of business.

The Professionals

Many followers of tennis contend that although some promising youngsters are coming up in the United States, the professional quartet of Vines, Tilden, Lott and Stofen could defeat any four players from this country, or the world, in the same type of play as employed in the Davis Cup competition.

However, this must remain just a matter of controversy because the possibility of an open tennis match similar to that employed in golf is too far in the future to be come available to settle this difference of opinion.—United Press.

—United Press.

EAST MIDLANDS
ROUTED IN MOBBS
MEMORIAL MATCHBARBARIANS SCORE
EIGHT TRIES

SELECTORS LOOK ON

London, March 8. Playing fine football, the Barbarians defeated East Midlands by 4 goals and 4 tries (32 points), to a goal and a penalty goal (8 points) in the Edgar Mobbs Memorial match at Northampton yesterday.

East Midlands were handicapped by the absence of Willsher and D. L. K. Milman, two Bedford back-row forwards, who met with a motor accident while travelling to Northampton, and arrived too late to take the field. N. A. York (Northampton) and R. B. Black, Bedford front-row men, filled the vacancies, but the pack was disorganised.

Brilliant Backs

Four-thousand spectators, including the England selectors, watched a fast game in which the Barbarians' backs played brilliantly although their forwards were often beaten for the ball. Dean and Auty—the latter cutting through repeatedly—began many fine movements, the Headingley man giving many opportunities to Cranmer and Williams.

The Barbarians' forwards, splendidly led by Dunkley, were impressive in the loose, with Bailey often prominent, but Weston, on the other side, received little support.

Losers' Backs At Fault

Although the East Midlands halves were frequently given the ball by their forwards, little was seen of the backs in attack. Slow held on much too long and Tallent, forced to forage for himself, had a bad match. Baillon did good work for the Midlands at full-back, but Barr, always finding a long touch, was the better full-back.

A movement started by Auty sent Williams over for a try after five minutes, and Forrest kicked a great goal from the touch-line. Four minutes later Auty set backs going again and Cranmer scored after a fine run. Forrest failed with a difficult kick, and also failed to convert a try he scored himself, so serious attempt being made to stop him. The East Midlands apparently thought there had been a forward pass.

Baillon's Penalty Goal

A penalty goal by Baillon gave the East Midlands some encouragement, but before the interval Auty crossed for a capital try, and Forrest converted to give the Barbarians a half-time lead of 13 points. Early in the second half, good passing led to Weston scoring for the East Midlands, and Baillon kicked a goal.

The Barbarians, however, held the upper hand all through, and while easily repelling the spasmodic attacks of the Midlands they scored further tries through Dunkley, Cranmer, Dean and Horde. Baillon converted the last two.

East Midlands: G. G. Baillon (Northampton); D. King (Northampton); J. A. Tallent (Blackheath); J. W. Tyson (Richmond); V. J. Lytle (Bedford); C. Slow (Leicester); B. C. Gadeney (Leicester); R. J. Longland (Northampton); R. Perkins (Bedford); N. A. York (Northampton); R. B. Black (Bedford); W. H. Weston (Northampton); J. Dicks (Northampton); G. T. Dancer (Bedford); J. A. Barr (Leicester); E. A. Buckingham (Leicester); P. Cranmer (Oxford); P. Taylor (Harrogate); R. L. V. Taylor (Harrogate); J. R. Auty (Headingley); G. H. Dean (Army); C. Thompson (Headingley); J. Tarr (United Services); R. V. Pike (United Services); J. W. Forrest (United Services); G. J. Reidy (London Irish); J. S. Baller (Blackheath); P. G. Harcourt (Gloucester); P. E. Dunkley (Harrogate); R. C. Gadeney (Bedford).

GENE TUNNEY
RE-ENTERS RING
IN PEIPINGREFEREES CHINESE
OFFICERS' CLASHMEETS WORLD WAR MARINE
COMRADE

Peiping, Apr. 4.

Gene Tunney, once heavyweight champion, who is now visiting Peiping will re-enter the ring on Monday night here. He will not don the gloves but will appear among his one-time Marine Corps associates as a referee of bouts staged by the U.S. Legation Guard here.

The feature attraction will be a scrap between two Chinese military officers to whom the Marines have taught the gentle art of boxing during the past year. Tunney says that he will do his best to give the Chinese contestants expert supervision.

Renews Old Acquaintance

Tunney, here with his wife, is receiving much attention from the Marines. The former champ took the salute at a full dress parade by the local guard to-day and afterward renewed his acquaintance with Corporal Albert Lachapelle of Woodburn, Oregon, with whom he served, in the same bayonet squad, at Quantico, before the war.

Tunney and his wife are planning an aerial tour of the Great Wall.—Associated Press.

FRED PERRY SAYS "WIMBLEDON
AND DAVIS CUP FOR ME"

(Continued from Page 4.)

In Paris the removal of the "action film" ban on amateur players is to be supported by Great Britain. The fact that Perry—recipient-in-chief of film offers—intends to play in amateur tennis this season in any event will destroy the argument of the foreign opposition that "rush" legislation is needed by Britain to retain her grasp of the Davis Cup in 1935. Supporters of this relaxation of the amateur rule will be strengthened accordingly.

"Nothing To Discuss"

I reminded Perry of the Federation meeting.

"I haven't been following the subject," he replied. "I don't know the ins-and-outs of it, so I had better not comment about it."

"Nor can I tell you anything about film contracts or professional offers. There is nothing to discuss."

"Suffice it to repeat that I am coming home to help defend the Davis Cup, and expect to arrive about the third week in April."

Meanwhile—Golf

"Meanwhile I am having the rest of my life to take the form of lots of golf. I believe my golf is improving; my handicap is now about 16 I should say."

"Whether I defend my Hard Court Championship title at Bournemouth at the end of April depends upon how I feel. I am doubtful. I was told to have a rest, and a rest I am going to have."

"I don't mind admitting now that I was in a pretty bad state in Australia with all the worry. Now I'm improving rapidly and shall be fresh and fit for the home season."

4 A.M. Telephone Call

"By the way, I'm told that Mrs. Helen Wills Moody is practising again. Like her, I am in California, but I haven't been to see her play and I don't know how her game is shaping."

"I'm just not thinking about lawn tennis—only golf, which I'm playing with some of my film friends and others. I hardly know now what a racket looks like. Now I'm going to sleep again."

A very conversational champion, seeing that my telephone call had wakened him at 4 a.m.

BRITISH BOXERS IN
THE FRENCH RING
BADLY HANDICAPPED
BY LANGUAGE

COLOUR BAR BACK IN ENGLAND

(By B. Bennison, the Celebrated Boxing Critic)

KID BERG has returned to London a sore and sadly disappointed man. Quite contrary to his usual attitude, he considers that he is the victim of an unlucky break. After his experience at the Palais des Sports, Paris, in his return match with Gustave Humery, it is said he will never fight again in France.

But I am bound to say that the defeat of Berg by Humery did not in the least surprise me. It was my belief that, unless he pulled out a knock-out or reduced the Frenchman near to helplessness, the odds against him winning were disturbing long.

A long and intimate experience of the French ring has convinced me that its atmosphere generally is emphatically against the stranger. My only hope for Berg was that, after all the scorching fires through which he had gone, he would be indifferent to the white-hot partisanship of the French crowd.

BRILLIANT
BOXING BY
JACKIE BROWNDRAWS WITH ONE
HANDWONDERFUL FOOTWORK
DEFEATS FRENCHMAN

Jackie Brown, Manchester, the world fly-weight champion, fought well in a contest in Manchester to hold Kid Francis, France, to a draw, as he damaged his right hand in the second round and from that stage fought with only his left.

With that he did so well that in the view of many he earned the verdict.

A Big Thrill

In the sixth round he gave the crowd a big thrill when he leaped from his corner at the gong, knocked a crouching Francis upright with two driving lefts, flashed three blows to the jaw, and drove the Frenchman before him by a whirlwind attack.

His handicap, however, was severe, and when Francis went all out for a knock-out in the tenth round Brown looked very serious. He kept out of danger by brilliant footwork, but had to fight largely on the defensive.

A Gallant Effort

Francis was always slightly the better at close quarters, and towards the middle of the bout his body attack slowed Brown up somewhat. Because he could not use his right hand Brown dared not take any risks, and consequently did not fight as well as had been expected. It was, however, a gallant effort on his part.

I.S.B. TITLE HOLDER
TO RETIRE

One of the few Army boxers to win an Imperial Services title before an Army title, C.S.M. J. Jamieson (Gordon Highlanders) has decided to retire from the ring. Jamieson won the I.S.B. middle-weight championship in 1932, and in the following year he secured both the I.S.B. and Army light-heavy-weight titles.

INTRA-CLUB GOLF

Teams Nominated For
Good Friday Match

The following are the teams and starting times for the bi-annual golf match between Happy Valley and the Kowloon Golf Club at Kowloon City on Good Friday, April 19:

Time: Happy Valley. Kowloon.
9.00—D. S. Edwards, R. K. Collins, 9.05—K. S. Robertson, D. C. Willard.
9.10—A. McKellar, W. Taylor.
9.15—J. McKnight, H. H. Dennis.
9.20—P. Morrison, A. J. Dennis.
9.25—A. C. L. Bowker, J. D. Thomson.
9.30—W. S. Hillier, W. Groves.
9.35—A. D. Humphreys, R. Henderson.
9.40—A. E. Charman, F. C. Barry.
9.45—G. M. Sheppard, W. O. Simpson.
9.50—G. M. Barker, L. D. Purvis.
9.55—H. T. Barton, W. A. Angus.
10.00—A. S. Brookbank, D. Barker.
10.05—B. W. Bradbury, J. G. Charles.
10.10—J. J. King, E. O. Murphy.

The famous "Yiddle," however, was obviously not himself either before or during the fight. He was bothered to know what was and what was not permissible. Linguistic difficulties undoubtedly got him down. For all he was able to comprehend of instructions and warnings, he might have been stone deaf. Why is it that, in contests of international importance, referees who speak the language of both fighters are not employed?

HARVEY'S EXPERIENCE

Len Harvey will have it that when he fought "Thil," he did not understand a word spoken to him by the gentlemen in charge, and that, as a consequence, he was fatally handicapped. There are many others of our boxers who have suffered in much the same way, but in no other place are English-speaking fighters placed at such a disadvantage as in Paris. In fairness to Humery, though, it must be allowed that Berg was nothing like the Berg we saw in the bout a month ago at the Albert Hall. He began badly, and when he did find his real self it was too late.

HUMERY A PUNCHER

That he was affected by the fury of the crowd may not be questioned, but he courted disaster by accepting Humery's invitation to have a down-right fight, despite the fact that the Frenchman had previously proved that he was the heavier puncher.

If Berg had made more use of his left hand he would probably have won. Humery is not a boxer, and he has not the mentality of a boxer. With him it is the punch or nothing, and, true to his kind, once he realises that he cannot employ it to the full, he is apt to follow up. He was more distressed than Berg at the finish. Still, because of his more effective work in the earlier rounds, Humery deserved the verdict.

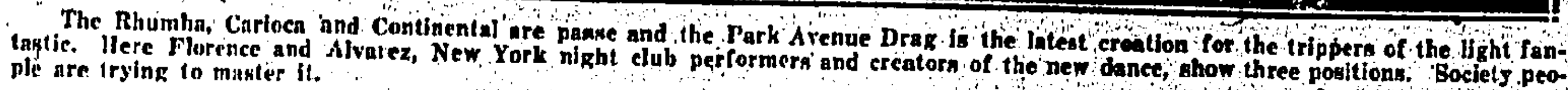
COLOUR BAR?

If for no other reason than that it would have made for novelty, I am sorry that "Obie Walker," of whom we have heard so much, has been positively barred by the Albert Hall authorities, and that, as a consequence, the proposed fight between him and George Cook has been abandoned. Does the veto mean that clashing of colours will not be again permitted at Kensington?

The Board of Control were not averse from the importation of Walker from Paris, and, so far as I can gather, there is no intention to put a ban on colour. I am sorry that the deserving George Cook has been denied what was promised to be a good paying job.

BIG TASK FOR BAINES

Ellie Baines must be given to Norman Baines for his victory over Jack Pettifer at Liverpool, but I am rather surprised that, as a result of his conquest, he is deemed to be sufficiently ripe for a match with Ben Ford, the South African, who outpointed Jack London at Plymouth. —I am not so sure Baines in his affair with Pettifer. Possibly he has vastly improved since I watched him in the final of the open competition at Wembley. But he is Pettifer's man, and so far as that defeat by Baines was in the nature of things is



options, while Japanese

At the conclusion of the meeting, Mr. Carlie said he would be absent from the next two meetings of the Board, and that Mr. H. H. Himworth would take his place.

A parrot scream at a house in Hillview road, Chislehurst gave the alarm of a fire in the kitchen where the parrot was found suffocated after the flames had been put out.

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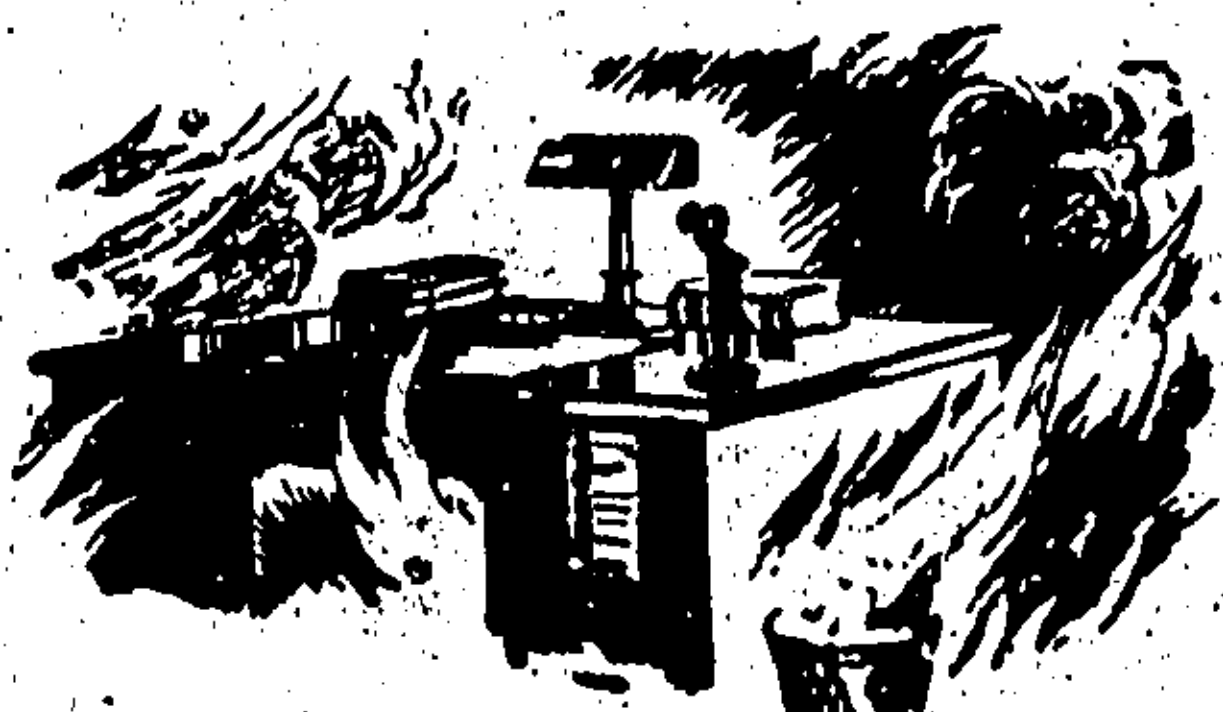
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National Government Propaganda

It has been for some time a matter of mild complaint among supporters of the National Government that no organisation existed to keep its achievements and purpose before the nation. With rumours of a General Election in view, this absence of a propaganda organisation would have become a serious defect in the coming months, but it is learned that the gap has been filled. A National Publicity Bureau has been established in Westminster, under the guidance of leading representatives of the three elements in the National Government. With the Postmaster-General, representing the National Conservatives, as associated Lord Hutchison, a former Liberal Chief Whip, for the Liberal Nationals, and Mr. Malcolm MacDonald for National Labour.

The kind of tiredness which comes over the supporters of every administration, no matter what its colour, at the end of five years in power needs to be combated. Anything which the National Government has not yet done is a matter for eager barking and biting from its opponents, who are in the happy position of every Opposition that they need give no proof that they could have established the desired Utopia. What the National Government has in fact done in setting Britain on the path of prosperity again might mean while be partially forgotten without an organisation which can act as a kind of Nation's Remembrancer. We may take it, however, that there will be no less emphasis laid on the future than on the past. The full benefits of national unity will not be attained without a further period of power to implement the Government's programme. A National Co-ordinating Committee, already exists to harmonise Parliamentary candidatures and platform campaigns. With this and with the headquarters of organisations of the National Government's three elements the new Publicity Bureau will keep in close and harmonious touch. If the spadework for the General Election is thus begun now, the good case for the National Government will not fall in the months to come for default of presentation.

EMBEZZLEMENT CHARGE

Shanghai Postal Bank Official Remanded

Yuang King-ping, whose extradition is being sought by the Chinese Authorities in Shanghai on a charge of embezzlement of money from the National Postal Savings Bank, was again remanded for a week by Mr. W. Schofield at the Central Police Court this morning.

Mr. Kemble appeared for the fugitive.

Mr. J. A. Fraser, the Assistant Attorney-General, stated that no news have yet been received from Shanghai, and that it will probably take a week before any facts of the case are received from Shanghai.

DRIED OYSTERS OR TOBACCO

Unemployed Makes Wrong Guess

For having a quantity of dutiable tobacco in his possession, Lan Ching, a 35-year-old unemployed, was fined \$500, in default three months' imprisonment, by Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court this morning.

Revenue Officer Powell stated that the defendant was arrested in Lai Chi Kok Road, coming in from the New Territories on motor lorry No. 3154, with the tobacco in a basket and covered with straw. Defendant pleaded that he thought the basket contained dried oysters.

DEVELOPMENTS IN GAS INDUSTRY

Big Combine Formed In England

ABSORBING MANY SMALL COMPANIES

Further important developments in the British gas industry are foreshadowed in the registration as a public company of the United Kingdom Gas Corporation with a capital of £1,500,000.

Behind this move is the financing house of Close Brothers, which is already connected with the South Western Gas and Water Corporation, formed last year.

The objective is the purchase of a controlling interest in a large number of gas companies. Already the South Eastern Gas Corporation, the Seven Valleys Gas Corporation, and the South Western Gas and Water Corporation have bought up gas companies to the value of over

HERE, THERE
and
EVERYWHERE

TO PIPE OR NOT TO PIPE.

The Scots Guards, proud possessors of the Prince of Wales's bagpipe tune, had great difficulty in placing pipers on their establishment.

The regiment had no pipers at first, except those maintained at the expense of the captains of companies.

Indeed, when Sergeant Evan Henderson was sent to the Crimea as pipe-major in 1853 with five pipers he was not on the establishment. When he paraded in London and at Windsor he was burlesqued by "Punch." So an inspecting officer demanded the withdrawal of pipers.

They were restored on appeal by Queen Victoria.

Yet 12 years later the Adjutant-general intervened against them again.

Scots in the regiment organised an opposition which made him withdraw his ban.

Not until 1923 did the pipers officially get feather bonnets, which were presented to both battalions by the King.

ADVENTUROUS LIFE

Mr. Grant Watson, the new British Minister to Finland, is returning to the scene of his old labours.

In 1919 he was in the Baltic with the British mission which helped to liberate what are now the Baltic Republics from Bolshevik and German troops.

His diplomatic service has brought him some dangerous experiences.

He was British Minister to Nicaragua during the long-drawn-out Sandino rebellion.

In 1914 he remained in Brussels after the city had been captured by the Germans. He was made prisoner, but later exchanged.

Your Daily Smile!

Status Quo
Pastor Jones: "Brethren, we must do something to remedy de status quo."
Deacon: "Dat, Brother Brown, am Latin for de mess we're in."

Fair Warning
Note from Teacher: "Johnny has been very mischievous in school. I think I will drop in and see his father." Mother promptly sent a reply: "Dear Teacher: If you can't handle Johnny, you'd better not tackle his father!"

His Wants
"Didn't you guarantee when you sold me this car that you would replace anything that broke?"
"Yes, sir, what is it?"
"Well I want a new garage door."

LOCAL NEWS BREVITIES

Mrs. Q. A. A. Macfadyen will give a lecture on 'Some Aspects of Modern Poetry' to the Hong Kong University Arts Association tomorrow at 8.30 p.m. in the University Union Assembly Room. All interested are cordially invited.

A whist drive will be held at the Civil Service Club next Thursday night, commencing at 9 p.m.

The meeting of the Hong Kong Teachers' Association which was scheduled to take place tomorrow has been indefinitely postponed.

The R.M.S. Empress of Canada arrived at Shanghai yesterday afternoon and is due in Hong Kong on Friday at 7 a.m. She will leave for Manila at 5 p.m. on the same day.

The R.M.S. Empress of Russia left Vancouver on Saturday and is due here on April 24. She will leave for Manila on the afternoon of April 25.

The following telegrams are lying at the offices of the Great Northern Telegraph Co.—Odine from Shanghai; 3881 from Shanghai; and Diana Dugard, Hong Kong Hotel from Shanghai.

Before Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at the Central Police Court, this morning, Lang Hung-fat, unemployed, was fined \$15, in default three months' imprisonment for trespassing on military grounds.

The City is waiting to know in which direction the new corporation intends to carry out its activities.

THE BLACKSHIRTS MARCH ON CONSTANT GROWTH OF THE MOVEMENT

NEW DEVELOPMENTS IN ORGANISATION

(By Sir Oswald Mosley)

THE Blackshirt movement was founded on October 1, 1932, with a handful of members. It originated a few months before in a small, cheap room on the first floor of a little house in King's-road, Chelsea. We had practically no money, and no resources except faith and determination; yet within a year of the start the British Union of Fascists possessed more branches than it had members when we began.

To-day it is organised throughout Great Britain with some 400 out of various categories and the strongest active membership of any movement which aims at the winning of power. We can claim that it has advanced more rapidly in these early days than any other Fascist movement in the world, and certainly it has become a stable and nation-wide organisation in a far shorter time than any of the movements or parties this country has known before.

A Hard Struggle

The struggle has been severe. The Blackshirts have marched through a barrage of misrepresentation and highly organised opposition which would have broken a lesser faith. No one who has not passed through the struggle of creating a nation-wide movement from nothing will ever know what they have endured. But the spirit of Fascism has triumphed over all. From every blow our movement has returned the stronger, and from every prophecy of our destruction it has arisen the more vital and determined.

To-day the whole nation realises that this force cannot be crushed. Tomorrow they will realise that it must triumph.

The new movement has been created by the steady and progressive discovery of men and women all over Britain on whom Fascism can rely because they have proved steadfast in ordeal and struggle. At first our lack of resources, combined with the rush of recruits, made organisation difficult, but the early problems were gradually overcome as we developed the methods of organisation which now can stand any strain.

New Development

The beginning of 1935 marks a great new development in our organisation and method. Blackshirt organisation is now divided from political organisation. Both men and women are divided into political and Blackshirt organisation, according to their bent and inclination in the work they desire to perform for Fascism. Without the spirit of the Blackshirt Fascism would never have lived in Britain. The Blackshirt movement has created Fascism, and the pure flame of that spirit must be preserved as the inspiration of the future. The Blackshirts will remain the missionary and propaganda movement of Fascism for the conversion of the people to Fascism and the maintenance of the faith.

At the same time we desire now to utilise the service of members who for many diverse reasons cannot wear the black shirt or do not wish to wear it. The public as a whole do not realise that only about one in 10 of our members wear the black shirt. We wish not only to use these existing members, but also to attract to our movement the thousands of patriots who believe that Fascism can bring salvation to Britain, but wish to work for it in an ordinary political fashion. They will assist us in the creation of our political organisation, the object of which is to build an electoral machine in every constituency. For we seek power in a legal and constitutional manner by the capture of a majority in Parliament.

To join the British Union of Fascists as a political member will not entail any obligation of active service to the cause, though all members are expected

in their various ways to do what they can to advance it. They will wear ordinary clothes and will operate in the ordinary fashion of normal political movements. Such political members will be invited to take part in constituency organisation exactly in the same manner as the existing political organisations invite their members to undertake canvass work and all the other duties which are involved in the winning of elections.

Parallel with the political organisation, the Blackshirt movement will find a yet greater function and development. It will be the spearhead of the Fascist attack in the conversion of Britain by mass propaganda. Definite service to the cause will be an obligation of Blackshirt membership. A Blackshirt member will perform service amounting to at least two evenings a week. This work will vary from the vital work of canvass in the constituencies in co-operation with the political organisation to stewarding meetings; selling literature in the streets; distributing free literature; physical training; and propaganda marches.

The Unit System

Henceforward the basis of Blackshirt life will be the unit system, and work in an organised unit will be the condition of Blackshirt membership. Every Blackshirt is to be organised in a definite unit under a unit leader. The ideal is a unit of friends with similar interests and outlook who together dedicate themselves to the cause.

The unit will be the basis of Blackshirt life. As friends and brothers in Fascism the ideal unit thinks, works, and plays together. Each unit is a microcosm of the greater Brotherhood of Fascism. The Blackshirt Movement will become more than ever a dedicated body of men and women giving their lives to the service of their country and united by the indissoluble bonds of Fascist Brotherhood.

Throughout the leadership principle will prevail as opposed to the blather and indecision of democratic committees. Promotion will be by the natural selection of proved capacity and the ability to lead, which will be determined by the practical achievements of the leaders in forming units and sections for service to Fascism. The unit leader owes to those below him the responsibility to lead and to those above him the responsibility to follow. Thus a system of action will challenge and conquer the system of talk.

New Ways Needed

These are new forms and new methods in British politics; therefore they are resisted with fury by the old, the established, and the complacent.

But are not new forms and methods required in Britain to-day? Can we conquer the problems of the twentieth century with the methods of the nineteenth? Above all, can we meet the many difficulties of the age with anything less decisive and victorious than the spirit of the twentieth century?

A new force arises in Britain from the need of the hour. To everyone we offer service according to his or her inclination and ability. Let those who would serve Britain march with us.



Chief: "War is over now, it's paid monthly instead of weekly."
Clerk: "My wife and I cannot every pay day."

LOCAL JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS

Japanese To Join In Festivities

SECOND FIREWORKS DISPLAY

It has been arranged that three Military Bands will play from 8 p.m. to 9.30 p.m. on May 6, one near the Po Hing Theatre, Yaumatei, one near the Peninsula Hotel, and one in Statue Square.

The Japanese Residents' Association of Hong Kong have kindly intimated to the Silver Jubilee Committee that they would like to join in the celebrations which are to take place in the Colony, and that they propose to give a display of fireworks.

As the Committee have already arranged for a display of fireworks requested the Japanese Residents Association to give their display on the evening of May 7. These fireworks displays will take place from Lighters anchored in the centre of the Harbour.

Volunteer Order Revised
Instead of taking part in the Naval, Military, and Air Force Review, which will be held at 9.15 a.m. on May 7, the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps will provide a Guard of Honour for the Meeting which will take place at Volunteer Headquarters at 11 a.m. on May 6 for the purpose of adopting a loyal address and telegram to His Majesty The King. Designs for the Public Address and Casket have now been approved by the Jubilee Committee.

DREAM OF SOCIAL REFORMER

What Britain Might Become

A picture of Great Britain in 1967 as it appeared to her in a dream was given by Mrs. E. M. Hubback, president of the National Council for Equal Citizenship, when opening the annual meeting of the council at the Millcent Fawcett Hall, Tufton-street, London.

Some of her prophecies were: The achievement of disarmament save for the establishment of an international air force; The reduction of the population by nearly one-third, and the reduction of the population under 15 by one-half;

The establishment of a six-hour working day; Equal pay for equal work for all men and women;

The adoption of a State system of family allowances as part of social insurance; and

The raising of the school-leaving age to 15, with part-time continuation schools for all young people until 18.

Another feature of this dream of a social reformer was the reform of the divorce laws, making it possible for a husband and wife to obtain a divorce for adultery, desertion after three years, persistent cruelty, habitual drunkenness, incurable insanity, or imprisonment for life.

GIRL AS ORDINARY SEAMAN

Adventurous Voyage In Sail

DESCRIBES HER VISIT TO TRISTAN DA CUNHA

Miss Nancie Moore, who is a native of Belfast, aged 17, and joined the barque, Ponape as ordinary seaman, being the only woman on board, reported on the ship's arrival at Port Lincoln from Copenhagen that she had visited Tristan da Cunha.

The islanders had not heard of the Royal wedding, and eagerly inquired about the ceremony and the dresses.

The Ponape's visit was timely, as the islanders' provisions were without flour. Stocks were replenished, following, barker, and the islanders were also eager to obtain shoe polish, lace soap, and clothing. The island is suffering from a plague of rats.

FISTOL CARTRIDGES FOUND

Fifty-three rounds of pistol cartridges were found by the Police early yesterday morning outside a house in Wing Lok Street. At the Central Police Court this morning Mr. O. A. Macleod granted the application of Sergeant Fryer for their confiscation.



Mr. Wat Hew Hui

AERO ENGINEER'S LICENCE

HONG KONG YOUTH GRADUATES

FIRST CHINESE IN HISTORY OF COLONY AVIATION TO PASS THE TEST

Mr. Wat Hew Hui, who is an ex-student of the Far East Flying Training School, has just passed the Hong Kong Government technical examination for a Ground Engineers licence in "C" category. He is thus the first Chinese in the history of Colony aviation to obtain this qualification.

The "C" Ground Engineers' Licence permits the holder to inspect and pass aero engines before flight.

Mr. Wat joined the School as an Engineering student in March, 1934. Normally, in order to qualify for the examination for ground engineer, the "candidate must produce to the Government Department concerned i.e. Director of Air Services, proof that he has had at least two years' experience in the care and maintenance of aircraft or aero engines or must have undergone a two-year course of training at an approved aeronautical school.

Mr. Wat's qualifying period, however, was reduced to one year as he had previously served a five-year apprenticeship in an approved engineering department.

Aviation in China is badly in need of trained ground engineers. The efficiency of a country's flying services depends mainly upon the expert care and maintenance of the flying equipment used.

Forty-Four Students

The modern aeroplane is a highly complicated piece of machinery which calls for a high degree of skill and technical knowledge on the part of the engineers in charge of maintenance.

The science of aircraft engineering is limitless. There is much research work and development to be done and there are big opportunities in this field for the trained aircraft engineer.

At present there are 44 students under training for the long engineering course at the Far East Flying Training School. The syllabus of training conforms as nearly as practicable with that laid down by the British Air Ministry and is designed to ensure a thorough practical and theoretical training for the "A" and "C" Government ground engineering licences. It is to be hoped that Mr. Wat will be the first of many qualified engineers graduated from the Far East Flying Training School.

Mr. Wat has already taken up an appointment in aviation.

BUSINESS MADE BY ONE WOMAN

From 20 Employees To 300

WILL PROVED AT NEARLY £190,000

The story of a large and successful London business built up by one woman is recalled by publication of the will of Mrs. Ellen Howarth Ibbott, the former owner of Dawson Bros., Ltd., the City-road, E.C. drapers.

Mrs. Ibbott left estate of the gross value of £189,875, with net personality £188,437, on which estate duty of £45,448 has been paid.

When she became proprietor of Dawson Bros. in 1899 the undertaking consisted of two or three little shops with a staff of 20. By the time the employees number 300

RIVIERA MYSTERY OF SHOT MAN

Political Crime Or Love Drama?

BUNDLE OF TELEGRAMS IN RUSSIAN DISCOVERED

The police of Cannes are faced with one of the most extraordinary mysteries ever known on the Riviera.

They cannot decide whether it is a love drama or one of those hidden tragedies of international politics which mean much in the history of nations, but of which little is ever heard.

The sea cast up on the beach one day last month the body of a man whose legs were tied tightly together.

There were two bullet-holes in the back of the head, and a post-mortem examination revealed traces of powder round the wound. The police therefore concluded that it was a case of murder.

Cheque-Book Clue

In the pockets of the man's clothes were found a cheque-book of the Credit Lyonnais in the name of Arthur Guillaume, a Belgian domiciled in Brussels, and a number of visiting cards which included those of M. Tessaro Kuga, Japanese delegate to the International Chamber of Commerce in Paris, and of an official of the Soviet Embassy in Paris as well as an invitation card bearing the name of Princess Juliana of Holland.

Later the dead man was identified as M. Arthur Guillaume, who arrived in Cannes on January 29 and stayed at a well-known hotel. He received no correspondence and was last seen alive on February 2.

Woman's Portrait

When the man's clothing was more carefully searched a photograph of a beautiful, dark-haired girl was found, together with a card bearing the announcement of the marriage of Countess Drohojowska. In a bag which Guillaume had left at his hotel were found a number of letters and a considerable sum in Austrian, Italian, French, and German money.

An interesting discovery was made when the police opened a suitcase in the dead man's room in which was found, carefully tied up, a packet of telegrams mostly written in Russian, all despatched from either Poland or Russia.

Suspected Code

A few written in French were congratulating Guillaume on his wedding, which is supposed to have taken place at Nice in 1914, but no trace of this has been found in the city's records.

These telegrams are suspected to be code messages. The suitcase also contained a Canadian Pacific Railway booklet of round-the-world tours, the name of the liner Empress of Britain, which was due to call at Monaco in February, being underlined.

The Brussels police, at the request of the French police, are inquiring as to the activities of Arthur Guillaume in Belgium.

SIR PHILIP GAME'S MESSAGE

Governor Of N.S.W. Returns Home

ONCE WHOLLY "POMMY" NOW HALF "DIGGER"

"I came out wholly a pommy, I go home half a digger."

This was the message given by Sir Philip Game to the Australian returned soldiers' organization on leaving for England after five years as Governor of New South Wales.

In referring to himself as a "Pommy" he has adopted Australian slang.

The derivation of the word is disputed. It is, however, widely accepted as a corruption of "pomegranates" as Englishmen newly arrived in Australia were called because of the freshness of their complexion.

Sir Philip Game has been mentioned as a possible successor to Lord Bessborough as Governor of New South Wales.

To-day's Short Story

The Draught Of Medicine

By T. O. Beachcroft

DOWN in the autumn woods men's voices had been shouting for an hour or more. Three of Farmer Augur's horses, Lucy, Brownie, and Emperor, were hitched to an entire elm trunk. A hundred yards of marshy ground separated them from the cart track, and every wheel of the timber wagon had sunk in deep.

Lucy, the leader, plunged and threw her weight first to one side then the other—furious at being held back. Her rosewood quarters curved and flashed in the light. Even Emperor, the largest and most stolid of blacks, was excited by yells and whipsacks till he leapt in the shafts. His hind hooves, heaving up a whole ton of strength, ailed and tore up the earth. His mild eyes started till the whites showed. Steam rolled off him at every point, and his breath spouted six feet from his nostrils, like jets of smoke. The two carters Mark and Harry Shifner, both young men, yelled and yelled; and yard by yard the three horses tore their wagon through the clay.

CROSSWORD CONTEST RESULT

LIST OF WINNERS

Here is the solution of the crossword puzzle contest published in yesterday's issue of the China Mail.



The first three correct solutions to be opened were those of Messrs. S. T. Chan, 6, On Lan Street, (2nd Floor), Hong Kong, and S. Y. Yeung, 104, Ye Chau Street, (Top Floor), Kowloon, and Miss M. K. Woo, 8, Bowling Street, (Top Floor), Kowloon.

To each of these were posted this morning two dress-circle tickets to see the hilarious comedy, "Six-day Bike Rider" at the Central Theatre.

POLICE R. C. WHIST DRIVE

Mrs. Rhodes Wins

With a score of 178, Mrs. Rhodes carried off the first prize at the monthly whist drive held at the Police Recreation Club yesterday afternoon. Mrs. Atkinson was second while Mrs. English was presented with the "booby."

Mrs. D. Burlingham, wife of the Inspector-General of Police, was in charge of the function.

TROUPE OF INDIAN DANCERS

Coming To Hong Kong Shortly

An unusual type of entertainment will be provided when Menaka, the Indian woman dancer, and her company of 15 dancers and musicians, who have been appearing with great success in Rangoon, arrive shortly in Hong Kong.

The show maintains a high standard of Indian art. Menaka has appeared in Amsterdam, Berlin, Oslo, Paris, London, Stockholm and Delhi.

INCREASING MENACE OF COMMUNISTS

(Continued from Page 1.)

Haitong, a town about 85 miles above Kweiyang, is still in the hands of the Communists, whose strength has remained intact since they launched the offensive of April 1. There has been no counter-attack by the Government forces, and the Communists are expected to advance further south.

But all this was down in the woods. Up over the brow of the hill, where the cottages of Edgerly stood grouped round the church and The Grange, the morning was very quiet. So quiet that those faint far-off cries that drifted up now and again from the woods seemed hardly real. Save for a few wisps of morning smoke from the chimneys there was no sign of life.

In one of the cottages old Abel Shifner, the father of Mark and Harry, lay in bed feeling very poorly. He could just catch those distant shouts. He was not quite sure in what way he felt ill, but it was a bad thing to be asked when he ought to be about carting or ploughing. He looked at the medicine bottle by his bed and sighed. He felt a sense of grievance against this medicine. It ought to have made him well, and it had failed. Poor weak stuff, it must be.

Presently he was aware of low voices beneath his window. It was his wife and old Gromm at the gate; he could not hear what they were saying, but he felt sure they would be talking about him.

This was so. Mrs. Shifner, with an apron of sacking round her waist, and her sleeves rolled up to the elbow, set down her bucket, as Mr. Gromm hailed her.

"Morning, ma'am."

"Morning, Mr. Gromm."

"Ow be Abe this morning?"

"Well, I hardly know what to say."

"E can't seem to make nothing of 'isself to-day—nothing at all."

Mr. Gromm pondered for a moment.

"How's that, then?" he said. "He 'aves the doctor, don't he?"

"Oh, yes. You know; that young Mr. Spender; young Jimmy Spender, old Dr. Spender's grandson."

Mr. Gromm scratched his head with the stem of his pipe.

"I've heered 'e's very clever too; like what 'is grandpa was."

"Well, that's as 'it may be," said Mrs. Shifner, "but his grandpa ain't had time fer to learn 'im everything yet awhile. Though, I'm sure a nice spoken young gentleman you couldn't hope to meet; and tries hard too, 'e does jest. I likes him well meself. But you stop up and see Abe; he lies abed up there in the front room. That won't do him no harm jest to see you, Mr. Gromm; he'd take it kind."

Gromm came in shaking his head gravely, and with a good deal of noise clumped his way up the narrow stairs.

"Ere, Abe," said Mrs. Shifner, "it's Master Gromm come to see you. Do you go along in now."

Gromm walked in and studied the patient.

"How be, Abe?" he said.

"Abe opened one eye."

"That you, George?"

"Ah. How be, then?"

"I be very middlin', George. Very middlin'."

"That's bad. Doan'd the doctor do you no good then?"

"He med or medn't," said Abe, and a long silence followed.

Gromm nodded sympathetically.

"See that bottle of medicine?"

Abe looked at it angrily. "Well, this young man as comes to see me, he don't know the way to mix up a draught of medicine. Look at it, then. Smell it, man!"

"Gromm took out the cork and gave a deep sniff. Then he touched the bottle with his lips."

"Aye," said Abe approvingly, "you take a taste. Medicine, he may call it, but a glass of lemonade 'ud do you as much good as that. Why it's got no taste to it."

"I have certainly got a weak, sickly sort of flavour," said Gromm. "You take from me. Abe, that ought to be changed. There won't be no offence in that, if you asks civil and natural. His old granddad now, he knowed the way to drop. Many's the one as I've heard say they'd liefer have old Dr. Spender half a sober than any other doctor, whoever he might be."

"Ah," said Abe. "Old Dr. Spender knowed his work; that he did. Old man though he was. Many's the poor woman he's delivered safe and sound, when she was well nigh gone. In fact, George, the very moment Araba could bear his nag's trotting up the street, she'd seem to rally 'em, and to begin to cry and take near a high time."

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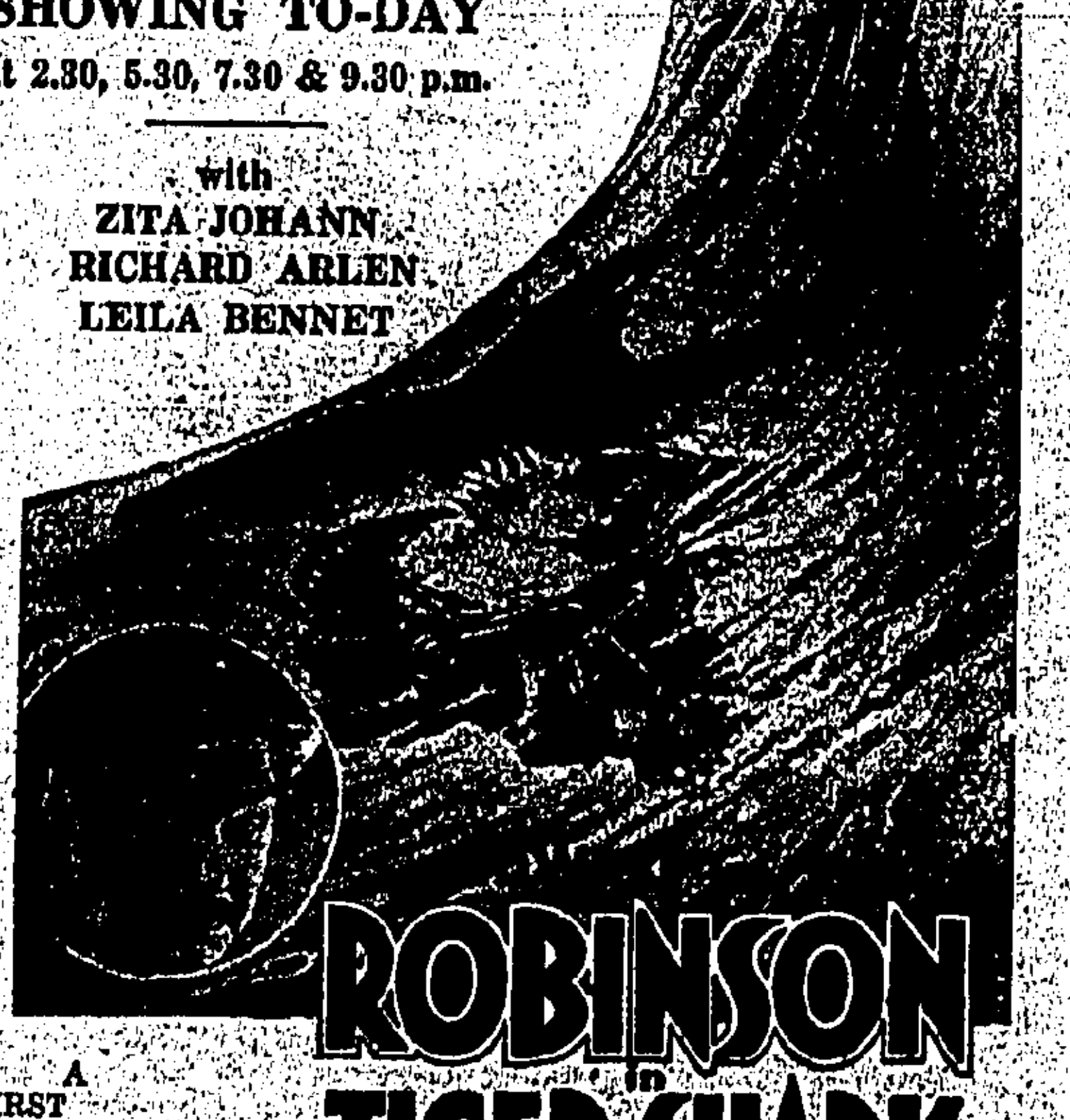
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CORFU	15,000	20th Apr.	Marseilles & London.
*SOUDAN	7,000	27th Apr.	Marseilles, Havre, London, Hambur, Rotterdam, Antwerp & Hull.
RANCHI	17,000	4th May	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
NALDERA	10,000	18th May	DO
*BURDWAN	6,000	25th May	Marseilles, Havre, London, Rotterdam, Antwerp & Hull.
RANPURA	17,000	1st June	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
RAJPUTANA	17,000	15th June	DO
*SOMALI	7,000	22nd June	Marseilles, Havre, London, Hambur, Rotterdam, Antwerp & Hull.
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Cinema Notes

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"KANSAS CITY PRINCESS"—CENTRAL THEATRE

Blondell, Warner Bros. most successful pair of "gold-diggers" have the leading roles in "Kansas City Princess," which is now showing at the Central Theatre. In this film they have the roles of two manicurists, with Hugh Herbert as a somewhat dumb millionaire, Robert Armstrong as a gangster, and Hobart Cavanaugh and T. Roy Barnes as two small-town eldermen.

In a swift series of kaleidoscopic incidents the picture takes the spectator from Kansas City to New York by train and aeroplane, aboard a French liner on which riotous scenes occur with the two manicurists chiselling their way across, and then to Paris where the smashing climax comes with the wildest love mix-up and a whirlwind of laughter.

Others in the cast include Osgood Perkins, a double-crossing Parisian detective, Gordon Westcott, who steals both hearts and diamonds, Vince Barnett, Ivan Lebedeff and Arthur Hoyt. The picture was directed by William Keighley.

"SIX DAY BIKE RIDER"—ALHAMBRA THEATRE

Joe E. Brown has been seen locally as a baseball player, a fireman, and a clown. Now he comes to the Alhambra Theatre as a bicycle rider who wins a race and his girl by the most novel procedure imaginable. Joe is the village boy obsessed with the idea of "making good," so he goes to the "big city" to show his girl how this ought to be accomplished.

The race is the big climax to one of the most uproarious comedies in which the wide-mouthed comedian has yet appeared. It is not only filled with riotous situations, but is crammed with breath-taking thrills.

An exceptionally talented cast of players have the important roles in support of Joe. Maxine Doyle has the leading feminine role. She is a comparative newcomer to the screen, but an actress of exceptional beauty and talent.

Frank McHugh plays the role of Joe's pal, and racing team-mate while Gordon Westcott tries to steal Joe's girl.

Others in the cast include Arthur Aylesworth, Lottie Williams, Dorothy Christy, Harry Seymour, Lloyd Neel and William Granger.

"HALF A SINNER"—STAR THEATRE

The most unusual garage in the world in which mechanics nonchalantly grease cars and grind valves under the glare of powerful searchlights, while motion picture cameras record dramatic stories, is one of the realistic sets used in "Half a Sinner" with Joel McCrea, Sallie Blane, and Berton Churchill, which is now playing at the Star Theatre.

The story tells of two lovers in a small town, beset by every form of tragedy, including having their engagement ring snatched by the installment collector.

Into their adventures and troubles strolls the kindly and benevolent Mr. Churchill, who turns out to be one of the greatest and most sympathetic crooks in the nation.

While he aids them in the final solution of their problem, an hour of the funniest film far seen in a long time precedes their peace.

"STINGAREE"—ORIENTAL THEATRE

In "Stingaree," which is now being shown at the Oriental Theatre, Irene Dunne has her first chance to prove that in addition to being a very fine actress, she is also the possessor of a beautiful voice, her rendition of "To-night is Mine" being especially worthy of mention.

Richard Dix, that accomplished actor of whom time seems to have stood still, returns to his first love—the dashing, romantic characterisation. In this film he takes the part of a famous Australian bushranger, whose exploits have thrilled the whole country, and who has a ransom on his head that would make anyone feel important.

FARMER KILLED BY BEES

Mr. Samuel Gorr, a 60-year-old fruit farmer of Oryville, Victoria, was packing fruit in a shed when he was attacked by a swarm of bees. He was killed by the bees.



Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Wittmer have no troubles with neighbours. They and their children are now the only residents of the Galapagos Islands, where a bloody love drama recently was enacted with Baroness de Wagner in the principal role. This photograph of the Wittmers was made by Mr. G. Allen Hancock, leader of a Galapagos expedition.

The Draught Of Medicine

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Meanwhile, young Spender went his rounds, and an hour or two later was lurching with his grandfather.

Old Dr. Spender, who still enjoyed the best of health and three good meals a day, was a man of commanding size and florid complexion. He was given to side-whiskers and rather loud tweed suits.

He helped himself to his second stiff whisky since the beginning of the meal.

"Have a whisky," he said to Jimmy. "A little whisky never did anyone any harm that I ever heard of. I don't know why you young men don't drink more of it."

He took a mouthful and smacked his lips.

"I've been visiting Abel Shiffner this morning," said his grandson.

"Can you remember what you used to do him with when he had these little attacks of his? He doesn't think anything of my efforts. In fact, he practically said my line in drugs was the poorest he'd ever seen."

"Well," said the old man, "I expect I could find you an old prescription of his. I'll look in the bureau. What did you give him?"

Jimmy told him.

"Yes, that's all right, of course. But what did you put in to ginger it up, so to speak?"

"Oh, just some peppermint to make it a bit palatable."

"Peppermint, my dear lad? That's no good. I should like to see Abe drinking peppermint." He chuckled richly. "Now, look here; this is a prescription I gave him last year. This contains what I call a few little condiments."

Jimmy took the prescription and looked at it. "What!" he said. "Tinct. Ammon. Val. How filthy! What on earth did you put that in for?"

The old doctor laughed and returned to his whisky.

"They like a bit of flavour. You believe me. Send that out to the dispensary, and let Abe have a bottle this afternoon. That'll make him all right."

He settled himself in his chair, and Jimmy carried the prescription away.

A few minutes later Mrs. Shiffner called her daughter "Alice" to her.

"Alice!" she said. "Alice! Can't you come quicker than that when I call you? I want you to take your bike and go get your father's medicine from the doctor. It's to be ready at three."

"Why can't Mark or Harry go? I only just came in, and I want a sit-down."

"Not so much of what you want, young woman, with your poor dad lying ill abed. Besides, you know as well as me that the bike is out of work. Now, make haste and get a move on."

"Alice dropped away."

Then when you get back maybe I'll help you cut out this dress."

Alice repeated her instructions and the maid went inside, considerably astonished.

Presently she returned with the bottle.

"Old Dr. Spender sends his compliments to yer pa," she said, "and you're to tell him that he and Mr. James made it up between them. Where are you going to put it? In your jacket pocket. Mind you get it home safely."

At six o'clock that evening Mark and Harry Shiffner had done their day's work and had gone up to their father's bedroom to tell him how they had managed. Mr. Gromm had also looked in again, bringing another friend with him. Mrs. Shiffner and Alice were there as well.

Abel was sitting up in bed holding a glass of the new medicine carefully and looking at it with respect. His wife stood by, ready to steady it, should his hand shake or falter.

Abel looked round at the company.

"Thur now," he said. "This here is what you might truly name a draught of medicine. That other daddokey stuff—huh! Well, it might 'a' suited some habby or weak girl, and given them no great harm, but this as I got here is different altogether. I've had one dose of it, so I knows. Now I be going to take another."

He shook the medicine glass cautiously and watched the viscous fluid clinging to its side.

"Here, Abe," said Gromm. "Let's see the bottle. I be a pretty fair judge of draughts and that."

Mrs. Shiffner handed the bottle round. Everyone sniffed hard, and Gromm pulled out the cork, took a small sip and tasted it with loud lip-smacks.

"Good," he said. "That be the proper stuff, Abe. That'll do you good, I'm sure; if so be you can stomach it."

"Stomach it?" said Abel. "O' course I can stomach it. Can't I, mother?"

"That you can," she said. "You've stomached a lot of draughts as strong as that. Now then, Alice, don't be so rash with that medicine bottle. There ain't no call to go drinking of it all away from dad like that."

"Goodness, I ain't a-drinking it," said Alice. "Catch me. Such muck I never did taste nor smell. Ugh! I'd love to see dad take it, though."

Alice giggled, and both parents gave her a look of displeasure.

"There," said Mrs. Shiffner in an apologetic undertone to old Gromm, "the young and giddy is all alike, and never knows what's good for 'em."

"Well, dad," said Alice, "why don't you swallow it, then, instead of looking at it like it was some kind of something?"

"Now, Alice," said her mother, "that's enough of your boldness. Your dad will take his draught when it pleases him, and don't want to help out in disposing of your remarks. So now, be a good girl."

Alice being silent, Abe raised his glass to his lips and all eyes were turned to him. The moment he took a sip, everyone watched with close attention. But Abe took the draught away from his mouth again and nodded.

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"It is nothing short of a catastrophe," he said, "that movements subversive of law and order should have placed such a large additional burden on the resources of the Province."

If the Province had escaped the civil disobedience and terrorist movement, the deficit debt at the close of the current year, amounting to no less than £4,145,000, would be less than one-half.

For the coming financial year he announced an estimated deficit of £32,500.

ANCIENT HISTORY OF JAPAN

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Prof. Dr. Hermann Bohner, of the Osaka School of Foreign Languages, recently finished a complete German translation of Oshio's "Kishitake's" "Shimo Saki" an old book of history.

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EMERGENCY WORK ALONE WILL COST \$1,080,000

Kaifeng.

High officials of the Yellow River Conservancy Commission and of the River Affairs Bureau of the provinces of Hopei, Honan and Shantung held an important meeting here on March 28, to discuss the emergency engineering work needed on the dykes of the Yellow River.

It was decided that nine items of work must be proceeded with immediately, the complete execution of which will necessitate an expenditure of \$1,080,000.

Of this sum, the Central Government will be petitioned to bear an amount of \$540,000, while the balance will be shared among the three provinces of Hopei, Honan and Shantung.

The work of strengthening and repairing the Kin dyke in northern Honan is estimated to require a sum of \$480,000, which will be appropriated by the National Government to the Yellow River Conservancy Commission.

The Commission has already petitioned the National Economic Council to advance a sum of \$100,000 for immediate use and at the same time dispatched a party of engineers to Poyang—(Chekiat Agency).



Following the capture of Floyd Hamilton (below), his brother Raymond (top), Texas "public enemy No. 1," offered to surrender to Federal agents at Dallas if he were granted a prison term instead of the electric chair. He was captured without resistance last Friday and sentenced to the chair on Monday.

GERMANY DEMANDS ARMY OF 55,000

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INTOXICATION PLEA

Pleading that he was drunk when he committed the offence, Lan Chai, a mess-boy employed at the Whitefield Barracks, was sentenced to six weeks' hard labour by Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning for stealing a silk shirt from Lam Yau, a fellow mess-boy.

CONVICTED FOR LOITERING

Pleading guilty to a charge of loitering near the staircase of No. 280 Hollywood Road early this morning and for having in his possession eight keys, a knife and a cigar-cutter fit for an unlawful purpose, Cheung Fook, an unemployed, was this morning sentenced by Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at the Central Police Court to two months' hard labour on each count.

LIVED TO 102 WITHOUT A SMOKE

Mr. William Lacey, of Bennetts Cottages, Capel, near Dorking, Surrey, who will be 102 to-morrow, has never smoked a pipe or cigarette.

The new "cut" in the Thames, between Weybridge and Walton, in addition to forming a flood relief channel, will be available as an alternative route for navigation by June 30.

HITLER'S OBJECTION

Herr Hitler was not prepared, in present conditions, to contemplate the inclusion of Lithuania in any pact of non-aggression. Germany also suggested that if, in spite of this pact of non-aggression and consultation, hostilities should break out between any two of the contracting Powers, other contracting Powers should engage not to support the aggressor in any way.

In another connection, however, Herr Hitler dwelt on the difficulty of identifying the aggressor. Asked as to his view if some of the other parties to such pact entered into an agreement of mutual assistance as amongst themselves, Herr Hitler stated that he considered this idea was dangerous and objectionable, as in his opinion it would tend to create special interests in a group within the wider system.

SOVIET ACCORD

In Moscow the Lord Privy Seal, Mr. Anthony Eden, learned that the Soviet Government considered that the present international situation made it more than ever necessary to pursue an endeavour to promote the building up of a security system in Europe as contemplated in the London communique and in conformity with the principles of the League.

The Soviet Government emphasised that in its view the proposed Eastern Pact did not aim at the isolation or encirclement of any

NANKING REVISING EXPORT TARIFF

Ministry Of Finance Working On Scheme

LOWER DUTIES EXPECTED ON JUNE 1

Nanking.

With a view to developing the internal trade of the country, the National Government has decided to revise the present export tariff.

The Tariff Commission of the Ministry of Finance has been studying the question for the past several weeks and the revision is being discussed and formulated. As soon as definite measures have been decided upon, they will be submitted by the Ministry of Finance to the Central Political Council for their decision and later referred to the Legislative Yuan for enactment. It is believed that the work will take two more months to complete and that the revised tariff will come into force on June 1—(Chekiat Agency).

WOMAN FINED \$1,000

A fine of \$1,000, in default six months' hard labour, was imposed on Ng Shim-chi, a 35-year-old married woman, when she appeared before Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning on a charge of having 2,740 heroin pills in her possession in Shamshui-po.

State, but at the creation of a mutual security for all participants, and it felt that the participation of both Germany and Poland in the pact would afford the best solution of the problem.

POLISH VIEWPOINT

In Warsaw the Lord Privy Seal learned the view of the Polish Government on this question. Colonel Beck, the Polish Foreign Minister, explained that Poland had, by her existing agreements with the Soviet Union on the one hand and with Germany on the other, established tranquil conditions upon her two frontiers, and the question Poland was bound to ask herself was, whether any new proposal would improve or trouble the good atmosphere thereby established.

The question of the Eastern Pact was, however, reviewed in a short interview which Mr. Eden had with M. Benes at Prague.

NECESSITY NOT SEEN

As regards the idea of the Central European Pact which was more particularly the topic of the Franco-Italian meeting at Rome, the British Minister understood in Berlin that the German Government did not reject the idea of such an arrangement on the grounds of principle, but did not see its necessity, and saw great difficulty in defining "non-interference" in relation to Austria. Herr Hitler intimated, however, that if the latter Governments should wish to conclude a Central European Pact, he would consider it—British Wireless Service.

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